

NORTHEAST CHRISTIAN

Annual Report 2022

JESUS IS WHY.

You're the How.

Thank Jou!

At Northeast Christian Church, we unleash the love of Jesus everyday, everybody, everywhere - in our home, workplace, city and church.

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Baptisms **68**Easter Attendance **6,192**Christmas Attendance **5,018**Gallons of Coffee Served **4,095**

Morship Arts

Northeast Worship released **three new songs** in 2022. These songs were streamed over **50,000** times across multiple services and momentum continues to grow.

Love the 'Ville! The Worship Arts Team was able to raise funding that was matched by our Outreach Team to purchase and deliver instruments and equipment for a church that lost everything in the Central KY Flooding.





Total baptisms in 2022 from Youth:

29 Baptisms for all Youth

YOUTH 6/8

Total number of unique individuals that came to a service:

313 Students

Middle School Camp at Country Lake

68 Students in Attendance

YOUTH 9/12

Total number of unique individuals that came to a service:

231 Students

Beach Camp

94 Students

LOVE THE 'VILLE

We set the goal of 50 coats because we knew there was a need in one of our partner schools. We challenged the students to 50 coats. The trickle of coats in was slow at first, but you saw as each week went by students brought in large trash bags full of coats they had collected from their family and friends. I saw two place in which Jesus showed up: Students who were excited to serve and love the ville in their everyday life, and parents who helped make sure students were here and I am sure were helpful in the collection process. In the end, students collected 130 total coats – which was way above and beyond what we imagined!

northeast GROUPS

Groups are an intentional, authentic community where we go to grow and become like Jesus.

Groups: 94

Group Leaders: **171**People in Groups: **937**

MEN'S HUDDLES

Northeast Men's Huddle is for every man looking to build on their relationship with Jesus. Our monthly, on campus huddle is an opportunity to hear a message tailored specifically for men to help them engage with scripture.

WOMEN'S BECOMING

Becoming is for every woman looking to improve their intimacy with Jesus. Our monthly, Brownsboro campus gathering is an opportunity to hear a message tailored specifically for women to help them engage with scripture.

THE MENTORING PROGRAM

The Mentoring Program is a nine-month spiritual formation program designed to challenge and equip church leaders to take their next step in becoming like Jesus. The program begins in August and ends with a commissioning service in May. In 2023 we had 12 Mentoring Groups.

Number of Men in Mentoring Program

12 Groups. 98 People

NORTHEAST BASICS

In May of 2022 we launched Northeast Basics and completed 7 cycles of Northeast Basics by the end of the year. Each month participants here about Who we are as a church and challenged to take steps of discipleship in generosity service and community. We saw 21 percent start serving on campus and 50 percent join a group. Over all 121 people took a next step from Basics to get engaged.

186 People Attended Basics in 202265% Took a Next Step



IN 2022...

176 People

attended a Mental Wellness Workshop

43 People

became certified in Mental Health First Aid

Love the Ville

AT NORTHEAST CHRISTIAN CHURCH WE WANT TO UNLEASH LOVE EVERYDAY, TO EVERYBODY, AND EVERYWHERE: IN THE HOME, WORKPLACE, CITY, AND CHURCH. WE DO THIS BY POURING INTO OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS AND ORGANIZATIONS, PARTNERING WITH GLOBAL ORGANIZATIONS, AND EMPOWERING AND EQUIPPING OUR STAKEHOLDERS TO SERVE OTHERS AND SHARE THE GOSPEL.

Because Jesus is why!

SCHOOL OUTREACH

At our 11 partner schools we want to impact the next generation. Each school has unique needs and we partner in those needs. This past year we have helped with events, mentoring, clubs, and resources to empower and inspire students. We also provide resources to the teachers and staff at the schools by providing them with snacks, shirts, and meals as a sign of our appreciation. The final piece of our schools ministry is assisting families. We work with the Family Resource Counselors to find out what family needs are so schools can provide classes and resources that benefit the whole family.

Highlights from our School Outreach:



LAGRANGE ELEMENTARY

At LaGrange Elementary we love being able to show the teachers how much we appreciate their hard work. During teacher appreciation week they were showered with treats and other meals throughout the year. The kids loved one of their surprises too which was a visit from the Kona Ice truck. According to one of the teachers, it was the "cherry on top" for their field day and a great way to end the school year.

OLDHAM COUNTY PRESCHOOL

At Oldham County Preschool we built a sensory garden! This project took a lot of hardwork and we are so thankful for the volunteers from Northeast that helped build and install everything. This sensory garden provides a space for the children with sensory issues to interact with their environment during play time.



SEMPLE ELEMENTARY

At Semple Elementary we had a new opportunity this year. Their Family Resource Counselor expressed how many kids don't have consistent meals outside of schools nor do their families. We helped them connect with Dare to Care so that they could start a food pantry for the students and families. One of the goals of the pantry is to reduce hunger in the classroom so that students can focus on school and not where their next meal might come from. We also helped Semple with their End of school year celebration and fall festival.

SCHOOL BLITZ

School Blitz is our biggest event of the year. This year we were able to blitz 30 different schools in Jefferson and Oldham county and had 1,000 people from Northeast serving. We weeded, painted, mulched, planted flowers, power washed, and more! We do what we can to help prepare the schools for students to start. This year we also invited other churches around the city to join us. We had 9 other churches from the Kentuckiana area blitz their own schools or join us at a site. This not only allows us to show how much an impact churches can have working together, but allows more schools to be blitzed and hopefully partnered with. We consider this year a great success for church unity and are hoping to invite even more churches to blitz their local schools next year.

Churches who blitzed with us: Adventure Christian Church, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Eastside Christian Church, Eternal Life Indian Church, Fairdale Christian Church, Fern Creek Christian Church, Greater New Beginnings Christian Church, Hikes Point Christian Church, Shively Christian Church.



LTV CHRISTMAS PARTY

During our Love the 'Ville Christmas Party in 2021 we had 192 students from our partner Elementary schools bussed to our campus for a day of fun and holiday cheer. With the help of all

our volunteers the kids were able to visit with Santa, enjoy holiday food and games, and even pick out some Christmas presents (pre-wrapped of course so it is still a surprise)! The kids who attend are identified by the school staff as those who need some extra love during the holiday season. Every year this is a favorite event of the students, school staff, and our volunteers.

LOCAL OUTREACH

Matthew 25:40 says, "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." We connect our stakeholders to service opportunities and partners in our city that are bringing peace and prosperity to those in need. Our hope is that everyone at Northeast has a regular serving opportunity where they can expand God's Kingdom here on earth by helping the "least of these."

CONSTRUCTION TEAM



In 2021, God brought together over 60 people who have committed themselves to help those in need (low income and over 65) with home repair. These 60+ people formed 5 teams under the direction of Clay Jones and have primarily worked alongside New Directions and their Repair Affair program. The program works to keep homes in good condition and allow the owners to have an asset to pass on to their children. While working on each home, these teams had the opportunity to get to know each homeowner who all had difficult situations mostly

stemming from health concerns. In addition to the 20+ homeowners who have been blessed, 15 construction team members joined dozens of other volunteers to repair 8 homes alongside the Love Your Neighborhood program with Habitat for Humanity. These team members give of their valuable time and talent and concentrate on skilled work including: fence construction, handrail installation, gutter leaf guard protection, exterior trim repair and several other repairs.

PARKLAND OUTREACH DAY

In May we had volunteers work on seven different homes in the Parkland neighborhood. This was a part of Habitat for Humanity's "Love your Neighborhood" weekend with House2Home. Habitat wants to help keep homeowners who may struggle with their home's upkeep in their houses by having neighborhood work days like this. We weeded, painted, built fences, trimmed trees, and visited with homeowners to help make this day a success.





KENTUCKY REFUGEE MINISTRY

This year we have walked alongside 3 refugee families as they adjust to life in Louisville. One of the families was from Syria and our stakeholders really connected with them. Mark West says "Every aspect of loving my neighbor, teaching and modeling for my kids, and loving the 'Ville is wrapped up in serving this way. Serving this way really feels like accepting Jesus' invite to follow him." While the goal is to walk with the families for their first 3 months there are times when true friendship is formed. We also helped supply backpacks and school supplies to KRM's families.

BAPTISM STORY

IN OCTOBER, EMMANUEL, THE FATHER OF ONE OF OUR FIRST PARTNER FAMILIES, WAS BAPTIZED. THEY WERE RESETTLED HERE IN LOUISVILLE FROM THE CONGO. HE ATTENDS NORTHEAST WHEN POSSIBLE AND DECIDED TO TAKE THE NEXT STEPS IN HIS FAITH. WHEN ASKED WHY HE WANTED TO BE BAPTIZED HE SAID, "LIFE WITH JESUS IS GOOD. LIFE WITHOUT JESUS IS BAD". THE WHOLE CHURCH CELEBRATED THIS DECLARATION OF FAITH AFTER SERVICE AND WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE HOW GOD WILL WORK THROUGH HIM!

RE:CENTER

Re:Center cares for the homeless in Louisville in a variety of ways. During the day they run a women's shelter where they can store things, get assistance, and have a safe place to rest. In the evenings the men staying in their overnight shelter arrive and they have volunteers who bring in dinner for them. They also have a recovery program for men to help them break their addiction, find a job, and a place to live. In the evenings they hold life skill classes with members of the community and Bible studies.





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This year we celebrated 5 years with UP for Women and Children. Instead of the normal 'Coffee in the Courtyard' that volunteers from Northeast serve we had a party with icecream! UP continues to provide service during the week to homeless women and children. They provide case management, access to documents, other resources that help the women gain jobs and housing.

DISASTER RELIEF

When disaster strikes we want to help in ways that not only provide relief to those affected shortly after but also in the long-term as they rebuild. This means we look at which organizations are responding or are located where disaster hits. Unfortunately in the past year Kentucky has been hit with tornadoes in the west and flooding in the east. We quickly put together a response to help our fellow Kentuckians rebuild their lives and have been able to send supplies, people, and financial assistance.

GLOBAL OUTREACH

Loving our neighbor extends to the whole world. Our Global partners are sharing the Gospel while meeting the tangible needs of the locals. Whether that is providing clean drinking water, operating medical centers, planting churches, or running sports programs for youth, they are building relationships and equipping the locals.

Highlights of Global Outreach:

NEVERTHIRST

Since 2017, Neverthirst has served a total of 176,024 people in Uganda. The generosity of Northeast Christian has made this happen! In 2022, Northeast gave financial resources to fund a well rehabilitation project and fund 2 household filters. This project has blessed dozens of families. Many villages in Uganda are now experiencing health, hygiene and the new JOY of Jesus Christ. The work of Neverthrist is centralized in northern Uganda where they partner with the local church to saturate entire regions with access to water, hygiene and sanitation.

Doreen saw a perfect opportunity to share the Gospel after her village received a hand pump. She uses it as a place to have a weekly Bible study where 20 people come every week. "This is just the beginning of greater things to come. The God who has begun the good work in Wii Polo will bring it to completion…"

GO MINISTRIES

GO Ministries works in the Dominican Republic. They have just celebrated planting 158 churches in the DR and are looking forward to growing that number even more. Through their sports program they have 750 youth who are being discipled and they are able to see 800 patients a month at their medical clinic.

We were able to go on our first international trip in years with GO Ministries! We are so excited that trips are back and that we have the opportunity to send people to the Dominican Republic and see the relationships and ministries grow. In October a small group went and helped with building what will be a basketball court for the La Mina community.



TITHES AND OFFERING

YEAR	TOTAL GIVING	LOVE THE 'VILLE OFFERING
2017	\$7,480,665	\$731,352
2018	\$7,857,184	\$1,079,016
2019	\$8,166,855	\$1,220,094
2020	\$8,137,186	\$1,611,481
2021	\$7,928,702	\$1,720,442
2022	\$7,612,485	\$1,785,826